

To the historian of the event it was a deed all the more horrible because Roger had never dared to face the living Rainulf in battle, \*

Bari was the last home of resistance. For two months it resisted the close siege; but thirty towers set up by the King made constant breaches in the strong walls, and at last forced the city to surrender. The original terms included mutual surrender of captives, but once more Roger found: a motive for the most arbitrary revenge, A knight who had been in Bari during the siege had been blinded, so he complained to the King, by the orders of Jacquintus; it seemed cause enough for the King to withdraw from his contract! the Prince of Bari with ten or more councillors were at hanged, and ten others blinded or mutilated.

Before returning to Sicily, the King held a great domes-day at Salerno; the lands of alt his were confiscated, and they were bound by the oath, which had become traditional

the Normans first came from over the Alps, to exile themselves "beyond the mountains." On October 4th, he sailed for Palermo, The year had heaped fortune upon fortune; the former dynasts of Capua, Naples, and Bar! or

his one dangerous native rival was ;  
the  
from end to end was at his the  
rightful Pope  
had declared his crown legitimate;  
every wave  
of foreign invasion, had ebbed away,  
Few  
have ever come so victoriously out of so  
peril.

\*Falco» 1\*39.